## Mayor Congratulates City's ENERGY STAR Buildings Kentucky Office of Energy Policy Honors Louisville winners



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Mayor Jerry Abramson and the Kentucky Office of Energy Policy recognized five Louisville buildings that have attained the EPA's ENERGY STAR label. The federal program recognizes buildings that rate among the top 25 percent of facilities of similar use across the country for energy performance.

"As an ENERGY STAR partner, our city has a vested interest in encouraging energy efficiency," Abramson said. "We're beginning to benchmark our own government buildings in an effort to better manage our energy use. But these ENERGY STAR award winners have already taken steps to become energy efficient, and we are pleased to recognize their work."

"ENERGY STAR buildings are in a very select group. Their owners and managers not only have to design or adapt a building that can perform efficiently, but they must also manage it well," said John Davies, the director of energy efficiency in the Kentucky Office of Energy Policy. "An ENERGY STAR building is 30 to 40 percent more energy efficient, has better indoor air quality and less impact on the environment than buildings simply built to code. This helps managers reduce operating cost and improve the bottom line. These companies are setting an example for other businesses in Kentucky and the nation."

Increasing concern about the financial and environmental risks associated with climate change is driving more organizations to strive for the ENERGY STAR for their buildings, since it is recognized as an indication that an organization is working to reduce global warming and its impacts.

The five Louisville buildings recognized are:

- EON Center
- CEMEX Kosmos Louisville Cement Plant
- Aegon Building
- Courtyard by Marriott Louisville Airport Hotel
- Jefferson County Public Schools Isaac Shelby Elementary

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